



Roasting
of
KENNETH E. PETERSON
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There are few exceptional people — Kenneth Peterson is one of the few. The difference between Ken Peterson and the next man is not easily discerned — and therein lies the essence of Ken Peterson. His is a way of life that finds simple expression in easy laughter, quick wit, and a wealth of knowledge that spills out in torrents of gospel-like, humorous deliveries which leave his listener charmed and informed. No one who knows Ken can have missed the mirth in his voice and that particular animation in his speech that both regales and entrances.

He has the background in the kinds of service that deals with people and their problems. He has had the experience of indiscriminate practices in industries which have left people dehumanized.

Kenneth Peterson has a long history of labor union involvement ranging in scope from union representative to President of Local 712, United Papermakers and Papermakers to teacher of labor union executives.

Throughout his career he has used his experience and skill as a negotiator to fight poverty, injustice and job discrimination both on the picket lines and in the courts.

He has worked diligently to secure jobs for unemployed and underemployed youth, minorities and senior citizens. During the past decade, he has made significant contributions to the advancement of health and hospital care both locally and nationally.

Many of Kenneth's activities have emanated from North Jersey Community Union where he has served as Executive Director since 1969.



WHO WE ARE

The North Jersey Community Union (NJCU) is a special place located in a special community. And all day, six days a week, this special place is filled with people helping people.

The Center is primarily a place where people go to receive a wide range of medical services. It's a place where working parents can use full-time child care facilities. Many senior citizens come here to find employment as homemakers, so they can help others less able than themselves. And it's here, where nearly 200 professional men and women make these services possible for the people who need them.

The NJCU Center is simply, a people place. It has been functioning since 1968 to address the needs and problems identified by Newark's Center Ward residents. It's a private, non-profit organization supported by labor, state and federal governments.

Needless to say, the Center has been and continues to be successful in carrying out its mission, despite many financial restrictions. As a direct outgrowth of community participation, numerous programs have been implemented to help improve the quality of life for the community being served.

Program

DR. MOODY-ALI *Negro National Anthem*

Welcome VERLIVIAN SCOTT

Introduction of
Master of Ceremonies KITTY TAYLOR

Master of Ceremonies BILL FRANKLIN
W.N.J.R.

Introduction of
Executive Board MAE BESSIE EBERHARDT

Vocal Selection EMILY SPENCER ROSS

Invocation REV. JOHN HARRIS, JR.
Ebenezer Baptist Church
Orange, N.J.

Greetings SHIRLEY DAVIS
Administrative Director, N.J.C.U.

Remarks HON. MAYOR KENNETH GIBSON
Mayor, City of Newark

★ DINNER ★

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Honorable Wynona Lipman
N.J. State Senator
29th District

Honorable Willie B. Brown
Asst. Majority Leader
N.J. General Assembly
29th District

Honorable Ralph T. Grant, Jr.
Pres. Newark Municipal Council

★ ROASTERS ★

Dr. Aaron Lowenstein
Willie Jones
Mary Lewis
Aberden David
Sam Hill
Edward Peterson

Mayor Kenneth Gibson
Janice Robinson
Frank Moore
Ammon Barksdale
Harvey Holtzbeig
Paul Mejias

Music by Silent Majority

Menu

COUPE OF ALL FRESH FRUIT

★ ★ ★

CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP

★ ★ ★

TOSS SALAD WITH HOUSE DRESSING

★ ★ ★

WHOLE ROAST ROCK GAME
CORNISH HEN STUFFED
with WILD RICE

★ ★ ★

BLACKBING SAUCE

★ ★ ★

GREEN BEANS ALMONDINE

★ ★ ★

BAKED IDAHO POTATOE

★ ★ ★

ROLLS AND BUTTER

★ ★ ★

VANILLA ICE CREAM AND
STRAWBERRY SAUCE

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COFFE TEA SANKA